

Application No.: 10/719,420

REMARKS

Claims 1-17 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 10 and 12-15 were rejected. Claims 2, 4, 7-9, 16 and 17 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of allowable Claim 2. Claim 2 has been canceled. Claim 4 has been amended to depend from claim 1. Claims 3-5, and 12 depend from Claim 1. Claims 13 and 14 depend from Claim 12.

Claim 6 has been amended to include the limitations of its base claim. Claims 7 and 8 depend from Claim 6. Claim 11 depends from Claim 8.

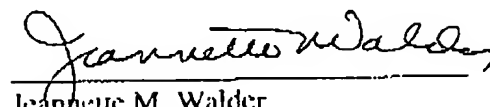
Claim 9 has been amended to depend from its base claim. Claim 10 depends from Claim 9.

Claim 15 has been canceled. Claim 16 has been amended to depend from its base claim. Claim 17 depends from Claim 16

Applicant believes that Claims 1, 3-14 and 16-17 are in condition for allowance.

Reconsideration of this application and allowance thereof are earnestly solicited. In the event the Examiner considers a personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned Attorney for Applicant, Jeannette Walder.

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